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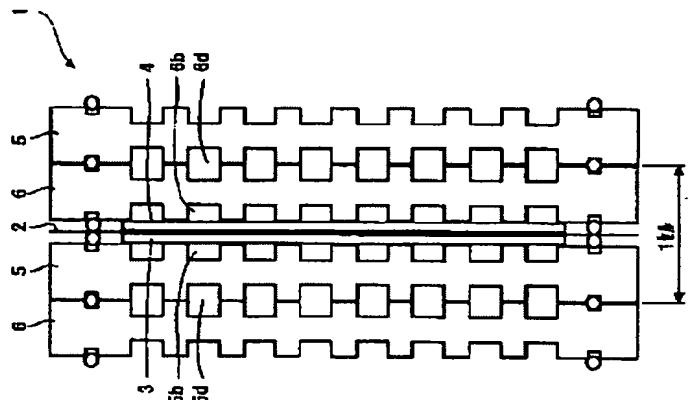
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TITLE : FUEL CELL



ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To achieve both cost reduction of separators, and prevention of deterioration of power generation.

SOLUTION: This fuel cell 1 is provided with two gas diffusion layers 3 and 4 having electrolyte as ion conductor between them, a separator 6 having a gas passage 6b to feed fuel gas to one gas diffusion layer, and a separator 5 having a gas passage 5b to feed oxidizer to the other gas diffusion layer. The separators 5 and 6 are composed of main components of conductive material and resin. An impurity purifying means is provided inside the fuel cell 1 to purify impurities originated from the separators 5 and 6 to dissolve in steam produced by oxidation of the cell, or condensed water generated as the steam is cooled.

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